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Subject: Ashue Road

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Gentlemen: As requested in our phone call yesterday, I am providing below in writing the five points I presented orally in our meeting in Toppenish on Monday. These five points describe the requirements of the U.S. EPA in order to resolve our concerns regarding the Ashue Road Asbestos Site ("Site"), given our understanding of the facts that we presented at the meeting. These five points are as follows:

- 1. Agreement to remove from the Site all debris from the demolition project at Wapato High School, together with proper transport and disposal of this debris.
- 2. Agreement to submit a draft work plan for this work, for the review and approval by EPA, the Yakama Nation, and Yakima County, within 14 days unless otherwise agreed by the agencies.
- 3. Agreement to carry out the approved work plan under an order from EPA, with agency oversight.
- 4. Agreement to maintain security of the Site, to prevent any further illegal dumping; and
- 5. Designation of a single project manager to coordinate planning and implementation of the work.

Near the end of the meeting on Monday, in response to your enquiry about whether the three governments would consider approval of any form of cap for this Site, we added one additional point:

6. Once all school demolition debris has been removed (as determined, at least in part, by field observations), agreement to conduct sampling of remaining materials at the Site in order to determine whether such material would be safe to leave in place.

Concerning the fifth point, the designated project manager should be in touch with EPA On-Scene Coordinator Jeff Fowlow, copied here, as soon as possible in order to discuss what a draft work plan must include in order for EPA to approve it. Concerning the sixth point, we indicated that we would make no assumptions at this time about either liability or need for further response until we had additional information concerning this underlying material.

If you have any questions concerning any points identified here, please let me know.

Best Regards,

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